

Rs. 300 under 1—Land Revenue—Contingencies—Office expenses

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu (*Diwan Peishkar*): I beg to move for Rs. 300 under "Office Expenses". It was due to the bulbs having increased in value. All the treasuries and some of the offices have to be supplied with electric bulbs.

Demand put and carried

Rs. 33,777 under 28-B—Water Works—Additional Works

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 33,777 under "28 B (a and b) Chowera—Ernakulam Water Works". This amount is required to make payments for the purchase of additional pumping units and for the construction of a jewel filter which has been started last year. It also includes the erection of a Lime Feed Plant for the Chowera Water Works, as per the directions given to us by the Guindy Institute for the proper purification of water. I request that the House may be pleased to sanction this allotment.

Demand put and carried

Rs. 5,000 under 28—Public Works—Miscellaneous—Original

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*): I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 5,000 under "28 Public Works". This has been necessitated on account of certain urgent repairs which had to be done on an 8-ton steam roller. I request the House may be pleased to pass this motion.

Demand put and carried

Rs. 1,180, 1,075, 2,227, 11,617, 4,500, 3,587, 3,500, 19,123, 39,200, 6,633, 12,000 under 19—Education—Dearness allowance

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*): I beg leave to move items 43 to 53, all relating to dearness allowance under one head or other. The purpose of this supplementary grant is obvious, so that no explanation from me is necessary. I request that the supplementary grant noted against items 43 to 53 may be granted.

Demands put and carried

Rs. 1,995 under 19—5—Primary Boys'—Ordinary Grants**Rs. 1,375, under 19—6—Primary Girls'—Ordinary Grants**

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*): Here again, Sir, I request I may be permitted to move items 54 and 55 together, both relating to additional money required for paying the ordinary grant to elementary schools. I request the House may be pleased to grant the items under "19-5 Primary Boys' and 19-6 Primary Girls'".

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): May I know whether the proposal is to give grant to schools started in 1116 Karkadagam.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*): That comes up under the existing practice only next year. We found that the budgetted amount was not sufficient and this is intended to cover only that.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan (*Chalakkudi*): Therefore, the Government is going to give grant only now for the schools started in 1115.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*): No. We have already given them grant. The amount was not sufficient. This is intended to supplement those amounts.

Demands put and carried

Rs. 7,365 under 19—8—Cost of Noon-day meals

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*): I move for an additional allotment of Rs. 7,365 to supplement the amount already given for payment of bills received in respect of noon-day feeding. As was to be expected from the nature of the case, all our anticipations were exceeded and our apprehensions on this head fulfilled. We have an amount of Rs. 10,000 which is quite inadequate for the purpose and by close scrutiny of all the bills received so far, it is seen that we shall require another sum of Rs. 7,000 and odd and I request the House may be pleased to sanction that amount under "19-8 Miscellaneous".

Demand put and carried

Rs. 13,100 under 18 Police—Dearness allowance

Rama Varmha Tampuran (*Secretary to Government*): In the absence of the Commissioner of Police, I propose to move that Rs. 13,100 under "18 Police—Dearness allowance" may kindly be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried.